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TABLE 1 **VARIATIONS IN NUMBER OF PENSIONS IN JANUARY 1983, BY TYPE OF BENEFIT**

Type of benefit	Total pensions in effect at the end of December 1982			Changes made to pensions in January 1983				Total pensions in payment at the end of January 1983
	Pensions in payment	Suspended pensions	Sub-total (1 + 2)	Pensions commencing payment	Pensions suspended at the end of January 1983	Pensions terminated	Sub-total (4-5-6)	Total (3 + 7)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Retirement pension	274 793	147	274 940	2 259	536	527	1 196	276 136
Survivors' pensions								
Surviving spouse's pension	115 550	721	116 271	438	753	121	– 436	115 835
Orphan's pension	41 199	806	42 005	220	674	501	– 955	41 050
Disability benefits								
Disability pension	27 857	60	27 917	386	66	340	– 20	27 897
Pension for disabled contributor's child	10 118	163	10 281	228	142	241	– 155	10 126
Total	**469 517**	**1 897**	**471 414**	**3 531**	**2 171**	**1 730**	**– 370**	**471 044**[1]

1. This sum does not correspond to the total number of beneficiaries shown in Table 2 for January 1983, because Table 1 takes into account the total number of pensions in payment, including combined pensions.

TABLE 2

MONTHLY AND YEARLY VARIATIONS IN NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES, NET DISBURSEMENTS, AND AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS, FOR ALL BENEFICIARIES AND FOR NEW BENEFICIARIES, BY TYPE OF BENEFIT

A) BENEFICIARIES

Type of benefit	All beneficiaries					New beneficiaries				
	Number			Variations (%)		Number			Variations (%)	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982
Retirement pension	276 136	274 793	257 276	0,49	7,33	2 259	2 321	2 127	– 2,67	6,21
Survivors' pensions										
Surviving spouse's pension	115 835	115 550	105 562	0,25	9,73	438	1 246	414	– 64,85	5,80
Orphan's pension	41 050	41 199	42 030	– 0,36	– 2,33	220	505	243	– 56,44	– 9,47
Disability benefits										
Disability pension	27 897	27 857	24 499	0,14	13,87	386	986	387	– 60,85	– 0,26
Pension for disabled contributor's child	10 126	10 118	9 353	0,08	8,26	228	478	178	– 52,30	28,09
Total[1]	**458 406**	**457 002**	**428 521**	**0,31**	**6,97**	**3 379**	**5 252**	**3 201**	**– 35,66**	**5,56**
Death benefit[2]						655	1 809	502	– 63,79	30,48
Combined pensions	12 638	12 515	10 199	0,98	23,91	152	284	148	– 46,48	2,70

B) NET DISBURSEMENTS (in thousands of dollars)

Type of benefits	For all beneficiaries					For new beneficiaries				
				Variations (%)					Variations (%)	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982
Retirement pension	54 133,2	48 521,5	44 053,9	11,57	22,88	608,2	623,0	507,8	– 2,38	19,77
Survivors' pensions										
Surviving spouse's pension	25 221,1	23 006,4	21 072,0	9,63	19,69	276,1	681,5	252,4	– 59,49	9,39
Orphan's pension	1 222,7	1 286,0	1 256,6	– 4,92	– 2,70	20,0	52,2	23,1	– 61,69	– 13,42
Disability benefits										
Disability pension	12 053,5	12 769,1	9 489,0	– 5,60	27,03	1 199,1	3 133,7	982,9	– 61,74	22,00
Pension for disabled contributor's child	357,4	423,6	315,7	– 15,63	13,21	62,0	129,5	40,0	– 52,12	55,00
Death benefit[2]	839,1	2 291,9	602,9	– 63,39	39,18	815,3	2 247,9	561,3	– 63,73	45,25
Total	**93 827,0**	**88 298,5**	**76 790,1**	**6,26**	**22,19**	**2 980,7**	**6 867,8**	**2 367,5**	**– 56,60**	**25,90**

C) AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS[3] (in dollars)

Type of benefit	For all beneficiaries					For new beneficiaries				
				Variations (%)					Variations (%)	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982
Retirement pension	195,85	175,51	170,94	11,59	14,57	241,84	207,59	212,95	16,50	13,57
Surviving spouse's pension	216,42	194,89	198,13	11,05	9,23	238,36	205,28	218,57	16,11	9,05
Disability pension	393,05	353,45	350,09	11,20	12,27	399,21	366,21	363,52	9,01	9,82
Death benefit[2]						1 244,74	1 242,62	1 118,19	0,17	11,32
Combined pensions	232,81	209,22	206,66	11,28	12,65	248,01	225,23	217,13	10,11	14,22

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A) BENEFICIARIES

				Variations (%)	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982
Number of families having					
— 1 child	418 883	418 946	415 579	– 0,02	0,80
— 2 children	368 458	368 686	368 525	– 0,06	– 0,02
— 3 children	125 538	125 812	129 892	– 0,22	– 3,35
— 4 or more children	35 906	36 264	41 152	– 0,99	– 12,75
Total	**948 785**	**949 708**	**955 148**	**– 0,10**	**– 0,67**
Number of children aged					
— 0-5 years	559 113	559 498	560 931	– 0,07	– 0,32
— 6-11 years	533 763	533 812	533 293	– 0,01	0,09
— 12 years of over	594 924	597 408	627 291	– 0,42	– 5,16
Total	**1 687 800**	**1 690 718**	**1 721 515**	**– 0,17**	**– 1,96**
Average number of child per family	1,78	1,78	1,80	—	– 1,11

B) DISBURSEMENTS

				Variations (%)	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982
Gross disbursement (in thousands of dollars)	15 300,0	14 476,4	14 880,5	5,69	2,82
Average disbursements (in dollars)					
— per child	9,01	8,50	8,54	6,00	5,50
— per family	16,02	15,13	15,39	5,88	4,09

ALLOWANCES FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

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A) BENEFICIARIES

				Variations (%)	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983 / December 1982	January 1983 / January 1982
Number of families	9 395	9 302	5 758	1,00	63,16
Number of children suffering from					
an auditory handicap	1 145	1 138	730	0,62	56,85
a mental handicap	2 904	2 901	2 586	0,10	12,30
psychological disorders[1]	127	121	—	4,96	—
a motor handicap	2 709	2 705	2 250	0,15	20,40
a visual handicap	484	479	376	1,04	28,72
a chronic illness[1]	2 359	2 281	—	3,42	—
Total	**9 728**	**9 625**	**5 942**	**1,07**	**63,72**
B) TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS[2] (in thousands of dollars)	830,7	758,7	511,8	9,49	62,31

1. As from January 1, 1982, children suffering from psychological disorders and chronic illness are eligible for the allowance.

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Retirement pension	276 136	536	276 672	2 285	564	1 096	625	277 297
Survivors' pensions								
Surviving spouse's pension	115 835	753	116 588	557	789	− 260	28	116 616
Orphan's pension	41 050	674	41 724	238	2 997	1 092	−3 851	37 873
Disability benefits								
Disability pension	27 897	66	27 963	387	59	147	181	28 144
Pension for disabled contributor's child	10 126	142	10 268	171	770	295	− 894	9 374
Total	**471 044**	**2 171**	**473 215**	**3 638**	**5 179**	**2 370**	**−3 911**	**469 304**[1]

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Retirement pension	277 297	276 136	258 525	0,42	7,26	2 285	2 259	2 377	1,15	– 3,87
Survivors' pensions										
Surviving spouse's pension	116 616	115 835	106 471	0,67	9,53	557	438	1 162	27,17	– 52,07
Orphan's pension	37 873	41 050	39 779	– 7,74	– 4,79	238	220	399	8,18	– 40,35
Disability benefits										
Disability pension	28 144	27 897	24 528	0,89	14,74	387	386	470	0,26	– 17,66
Pension for disabled contributor's child	9 374	10 126	8 913	– 7,43	5,17	171	228	213	– 25,00	– 19,72
Total[1]	**456 472**	**458 406**	**427 827**	**– 0,42**	**6,70**	**3 465**	**3 379**	**4 385**	**2,55**	**– 20,98**
Death benefit[2]						743	655	1 558	13,44	– 52,31
Combined pensions	12 832	12 638	10 389	1,54	23,52	173	152	236	13,82	– 26,69

B) NET DISBURSEMENTS (in thousands of dollars)

Type of benefit	For all beneficiaries					For new beneficiaries				
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	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	February 1983 / January 1983	February 1983 / February 1982	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	February 1983 / January 1983	February 1983 / February 1982
Retirement pension	54 859,4	54 133,2	44 458,2	1,34	23,40	593,8	608,2	622,0	– 2,37	– 4,53
Survivors' pensions										
Surviving spouse's pension	25 456,6	25 221,1	21 507,2	0,93	18,36	305,3	276,1	679,7	10,58	– 55,08
Orphan's pension	1 142,0	1 222,7	1 229,1	– 6,60	– 7,09	21,6	20,0	42,1	8,00	– 48,69
Disability benefits										
Disability pension	12 225,3	12 053,5	9 995,1	1,43	22,31	1 189,1	1 199,1	1 473,8	– 0,83	– 19,32
Pension for disabled contributor's child	317,9	357,4	331,0	– 11,05	– 3,96	41,5	62,0	66,0	– 33,06	– 37,12
Death benefit[2]	994,3	839,1	1 788,2	18,50	– 44,40	949,5	815,3	1 745,1	16,46	– 45,59
Total	**94 995,5**	**93 827,0**	**79 308,8**	**1,25**	**19,78**	**3 100,8**	**2 980,7**	**4 628,7**	**4,03**	**– 33,01**

C) AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS[3] (in dollars)

Type of benefit	For all beneficiaries					For new beneficiaries				
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	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	February 1983 / January 1983	February 1983 / February 1982	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	February 1983 / January 1983	February 1983 / February 1982
Retirement pension	196,33	195,85	171,42	0,25	14,53	238,20	241,84	211,65	– 1,51	12,54
Surviving spouse's pension	216,07	216,42	197,81	– 0,16	9,23	230,08	238,36	206,25	– 3,47	11,55
Disability pension	393,35	393,05	350,26	0,08	12,30	407,62	399,21	363,44	2,11	12,16
Death benefit[2]						1 277,88	1 244,74	1 120,06	2,66	14,09
Combined pensions	233,00	232,81	206,71	0,08	12,72	245,84	248,01	213,30	– 0,87	15,26

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— 3 children	125 336	125 538	129 572	– 0,16	– 3,27
— 4 or more children	35 603	35 906	40 795	– 0,84	– 12,73
Total	**947 954**	**948 785**	**955 876**	**– 0,09**	**– 0,83**
Number of children aged					
— 0-5 years	559 145	559 113	562 533	0,01	– 0,60
— 6-11 years	533 884	533 763	533 187	0,02	0,13
— 12 years of over	592 572	594 924	624 845	– 0,40	– 5,16
Total	**1 685 601**	**1 687 800**	**1 720 565**	**– 0,13**	**– 2,03**
Average number of child per family	1,78	1,78	1,80	—	– 1,11

B) DISBURSEMENTS

				Variations (%)	
	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	February 1983 / January 1983	February 1983 / February 1982
Gross disbursement (in thousands of dollars)	15 294,6	15 300,0	14 840,1	– 0,04	3,06
Average disbursements (in dollars)					
— per child	9,01	9,01	8,54	—	5,50
— per family	16,01	16,02	15,37	– 0,06	4,16

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TABLE 4 — **MONTHLY AND YEARLY VARIATIONS IN NUMBER OF FAMILIES, NUMBER OF CHILDREN, AND TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS**

A) BENEFICIARIES

				Variations (%)	
	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	February 1983 / January 1983	February 1983 / February 1982
Number of families	9 475	9 395	5 748	0,85	64,84
Number of children suffering from					
an auditory handicap	1 150	1 145	733	0,44	56,89
a mental handicap	2 905	2 904	2 570	0,03	13,04
psychological disorders[1]	128	127	—	0,79	—
a motor handicap	2 711	2 709	2 253	0,07	20,33
a visual handicap	485	484	375	0,21	29,33
a chronic illness[1]	2 427	2 359	—	2,88	—
Total	**9 806**	**9 728**	**5 931**	**0,80**	**65,33**
B) TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS[2] (in thousands of dollars)	851,3	830,7	464,9	2,48	83,11

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Person receiving a benefit for the first time.

Net disbursements:
These figures take into account all benefits paid to beneficiaries, as well as benefit amounts recovered, paid retroactively, or withheld.

Average monthly benefits:
The average arrived at by dividing the total monthly benefits paid by the number of these benefits. Amounts that are recovered, withheld, or paid retroactively are not included in this calculation.

Combined pensions:
When a surviving spouse's pension and a retirement or disability pension are payable concurrently to a beneficiary, the pensions are said to be "combined".

Pensions in effect:
Pensions which have been paid or suspended.

Pensions in payment:
Pensions that are currently being paid.

Pensions commencing payment:
Pensions which are being paid for the first time.

Suspended pensions:
Pensions the payment of which has been temporarily interrupted for various reasons.

Pensions terminated:
Pensions the payment of which has ceased permanently for various reasons.

Variations (%):
Relative positive or negative differences recorded over a period of a month or a year. A difference of less than 0.005 is indicated by a dash (—).

Terms respecting Québec family allowances

Beneficiary:
The beneficiary may be the mother, the father, or another person who fully or substantially supports the child or children.

Family:
"Family" means the beneficiary and all the children for whom family allowances are paid. A benefiting family must include at least one child for whom family allowances were paid for a given month.

Child:
The word "child" refers to any unmarried child who is less than 18 years of age and who is not a ward of the State. The number of children in a family includes all children for whom allowances have been paid for a given month.

Gross disbursement:
All amounts paid out to beneficiaries over a given period. The gross disbursement includes amounts that are paid retroactively or annuled but does not include amounts recovered following overpayment.

Average disbursement:
The average disbursement is calculated by dividing the total monthly allowances paid by the number of beneficiaries or the number of children, as the case may be. In this calculation, reimbursements and retroactive payments are not considered.

Variations (%):
Relative positive or negative differences recorded over a period of one month or one year. A difference of less than 0.005 is indicated by a dash (—).

QUÉBEC PENSION PLAN

TABLE 1 — **VARIATIONS IN NUMBER OF PENSIONS IN MARCH 1983, BY TYPE OF BENEFIT**

Type of benefit	Total pensions in effect at the end of February 1983			Changes made to pensions in March 1983				Total pensions in payment at the end of March 1983
	Pensions in payment	Suspended pensions	Sub-total (1 + 2)	Pensions commencing payment	Pensions suspended at the end of March 1983	Pensions terminated	Sub-total (4-5-6)	Total (3 + 7)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Retirement pension	277 297	564	277 861	2 459	604	1 618	237	278 098
Survivors' pensions								
Surviving spouse's pension	116 616	789	117 405	2 077	805	338	934	118 339
Orphan's pension	37 873	2 997	40 870	816	718	64	162	41 032
Disability benefits								
Disability pension	28 144	59	28 203	1 189	58	575	556	28 759
Pension for disabled contributor's child	9 374	770	10 144	570	152	192	226	10 370
Total	**469 304**	**5 179**	**474 483**	**7 111**	**2 337**	**2 659**	**2 115**	**476 598**[1]

1. This sum does not correspond to the total number of beneficiaries shown in Table 2 for March 1983, because Table 1 takes into account the total number of pensions in payment, including combined pensions.

TABLE 2

MONTHLY AND YEARLY VARIATIONS IN NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES, NET DISBURSEMENTS, AND AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS, FOR ALL BENEFICIARIES AND FOR NEW BENEFICIARIES, BY TYPE OF BENEFIT

A) BENEFICIARIES

Type of benefit	All beneficiaries					New beneficiaries				
	Number			Variations (%)		Number			Variations (%)	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982
Retirement pension	278 098	277 297	259 800	0.29	7.04	2 459	2 285	2 555	7.61	- 3.76
Survivors' pensions										
Surviving spouse's pension	118 339	116 616	108 205	1.48	9.37	2 077	557	1 990	272.89	4.37
Orphan's pension	41 032	37 873	42 100	8.34	- 2.54	816	238	869	242.86	- 6.10
Disability benefits										
Disability pension	28 759	28 144	25 274	2.19	13.79	1 189	387	1 287	207.24	- 7.61
Pension for disabled contributor's child	10 370	9 374	9 635	10.63	7.63	570	171	575	233.33	- 0.87
Total[1]	**463 490**	**456 472**	**434 342**	**1.54**	**6.71**	**6 786**	**3 465**	**6 955**	**95.84**	**- 2.43**
Death benefit[2]						3 084	743	3 109	315.07	- 0.80
Combined pensions	13 108	12 832	10 672	2.15	22.83	325	173	321	87.86	1.25

B) NET DISBURSEMENTS (in thousands of dollars)

Type of benefit	For all beneficiaries					For new beneficiaries				
				Variations (%)					Variations (%)	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982
Retirement pension	109 613.8	54 859.4	45 458.2	99.81	141.13	763.5	593.8	821.4	28.58	- 7.05
Survivor's pensions										
Surviving spouse's pension	51 610.5	25 456.6	22 214.2	102.74	132.33	1 283.5	305.3	1 109.2	320.41	15.71
Orphan's pension	2 485.8	1 142.0	1 387.4	117.67	79.17	86.7	21.6	90.8	301.39	- 4.52
Disability benefits										
Disability pension	26 277.7	12 225.3	12 521.4	114.95	109.86	4 242.4	1 189.1	3 902.5	256.77	8.71
Pension for disabled contributor's child	746.4	317.9	442.9	134.79	68.53	153.8	41.5	145.8	270.60	5.49
Death benefit[2]	4 167.5	994.3	3 747.1	319.14	11.22	4 097.0	949.5	3 683.7	331.49	11.22
Total	**194 901.7**	**94 995.4**	**85 771.2**	**105.17**	**127.23**	**10 626.8**	**3 100.8**	**9 753.5**	**242.72**	**8.95**

C) AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFITS[3] (in dollars)

Type of benefit	For all beneficiaries					For new beneficiaries				
				Variations (%)					Variations (%)	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982
Retirement pension	196.81	196.33	171.90	0.24	14.49	230.36	238.20	205.69	- 3.29	11.99
Surviving spouse's pension	216.01	216.07	197.69	- 0.03	9.27	227.95	230.08	207.52	- 0.93	9.84
Disability pension	393.81	393.35	350.87	0.12	12.24	407.28	407.62	365.29	- 0.08	11.49
Death benefit[2]						1 328.46	1 277.88	1 184.86	3.96	12.12
Combined pensions	233.30	233.00	207.26	0.13	12.56	245.98	245.84	222.48	0.06	10.56

1. Persons receiving combined pensions are counted only once in the total number of beneficiaries.

2. As the death benefit is a lump-sum payment, data concerning this benefit and its monthly and yearly variations are shown for new beneficiaries only; under "net disbursements", however, the amounts shown include retroactive payments and sums recovered or withheld.

3. Maximum benefit amounts per month for 1983 are set at 345.15 $ for the retirement pension, 330.87 $ for the pension for a surviving spouse less than 65 years of age, 207.09 $ for a surviving spouse aged 65 or over, and 460.30 $ for the disability pension. The maximum death benefit payable is 1 850.00 $.

The orphan's pension and the pension for the disabled contributor's child have been 29.00 $ per month since January 1974. For this reason, the monthly average for these pensions is not included under this heading.

QUÉBEC FAMILY ALLOWANCES

TABLE 3 MONTHLY AND YEARLY VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER FAMILY, IN THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER AGE GROUP, IN THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER FAMILY, IN THE GROSS DISBURSEMENT AND IN AVERAGE DISBURSEMENTS PER CHILD AND PER FAMILY

A) BENEFICIARIES

				Variations (%)	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982
Number of families having					
— 1 child	418 506	418 428	416 946	0.02	0.37
— 2 children	368 595	368 587	368 961	—	– 0.10
— 3 children	125 107	125 336	129 445	– 0.18	– 3.35
— 4 or more children	35 266	35 603	40 421	– 0.95	– 12.75
Total	**947 474**	**947 954**	**955 773**	**– 0.05**	**– 0.87**
Number of children aged					
— 0-5 years	558 893	559 145	562 997	– 0.05	– 0.73
— 6-11 years	533 811	533 884	533 581	– 0.01	0.04
— 12 years or over	590 798	592 572	622 453	– 0.30	– 5.09
Total	**1 683 502**	**1 685 601**	**1 719 031**	**– 0.12**	**– 2.07**
Average number of children per family	1.78	1.78	1.80	—	– 1.11

B) DISBURSEMENTS

				Variations (%)	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982
Gross disbursement (in thousands of dollars)	15 262.8	15 294.6	14 813.9	– 0.21	3.03
Average disbursements (in dollars)					
— per child	9.00	9.01	8.53	– 0.11	5.51
— per family	16.00	16.01	15.35	0.06	4.23

ALLOWANCES FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

TABLE 4 MONTHLY AND YEARLY VARIATIONS IN NUMBER OF FAMILIES, NUMBER OF CHILDREN, AND TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ACCORDING TO TYPE OF HANDICAP

A) BENEFICIARIES

				Variations (%)	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983 / February 1983	March 1983 / March 1982
Number of families	9 689	9 475	5 883	2.26	64.69
Number of children affected by					
a hearing impairment	1 167	1 150	773	1.48	50.97
mental retardation	2 942	2 905	2 602	1.27	13.07
a psychopathology[1]	135	128	—	5.47	—
a motor impairment	2 749	2 711	2 316	1.40	18.70
a visual impairment	486	485	382	0.21	27.23
a chronic illness[1]	2 544	2 427	—	4.82	—
Total	**10 023**	**9 806**	**6 073**	**2.21**	**65.04**
B) TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS[2] (in thousands of dollars)	879.1	851.3	505.7	3.27	73.84

1. As from February 1, 1982, children suffering from psychological disorders and for chronic illness are eligible for the allowance.

2. The monthly allowance in 1983 is 82.34 $ per handicapped child.